

ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics –1 January to 31 December 2023

The following data is authorised for release by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) and relates to the number of **formal indictments** (*Information*) **filed in the High Courts** of Fiji by the Director of Public Prosecutions. This media update consolidates data released by the ODPP from 1 January to 31 December 2023.

This data is confined to incidents of serious crime (non-sexual violence offences) statistics.

The yearly statistics for sexual violence offences are recorded and published separately.

This data also includes offences committed by police officers.

There were a total of 539 people charged with a total of 650 counts of serious crime offences as of 31 December 2023.

Of the 539 accused persons, 64 were under the age of 18 years and 19 were police officers.

The serious offence counts for each month were: January (62), February (77), March (87), April (55), May (50), June (32), July (82), August (67), September (48), October (42), November (39), December (9).

There were 419 victims of the 650 counts of serious offences. Of the 419 victims, there were 71 cases where the accused and victim were related to one another.

A total of 50 cases were withdrawn after discontinuances (Nolle Prosequi) were filed in 2023.

Refer to the table and graph below for a breakdown of the statistics from 1 January to 31 December 2023.



ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics 1 January -31 December 2023

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Murder	1	1	8	2	2	1	6	2	1	0	1	0	25
Incitement to commit murder	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Attempted murder	3	1	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	10
Manslaughter	1	3	0	0	2	0	0	1	3	1	1	0	12
Manslaughter arising breach of duty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Incitement to commit robbery	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Robbery	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Aggravated robbery	7	11	9	7	9	4	10	7	4	5	5	3	81
Attempted aggravated robbery	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4
Burglary	2	1	0	0	0	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	11
Aggravated burglary	8	15	17	13	2	7	18	11	11	11	7	1	121
Attempted aggravated burglary	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Theft	13	18	17	10	7	9	22	17	11	10	8	2	144
Receiving stolen property	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Assault causing actual bodily harm	6	10	3	4	7	3	3	7	1	1	3	0	48
Assault causing grievous bodily harm	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Common assault	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	3
Serious assault	1	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	10
Act with intent to cause grievous bodily harm	4	5	4	3	6	2	7	5	4	7	1	1	49
Grievous harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Unlawful wounding	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
Wrongful confinement	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Arson	1	0	2	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	9
Attempted arson	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	6
Dangerous driving	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

Dangerous driving causing death	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Dangerous driving causing grievous harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Failure to comply with requirements after an accident	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Driving without a valid driving license	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Driving without a third party policy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Careless driving	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Driving with excess blood alcohol	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Refusing to undergo breath analysis	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Unlawful cultivation of illicit drugs	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	8
Unlawful possession of illicit drugs	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	6
Unlawful exportation of illicit drugs	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Threats at an airport	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bribery	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Forgery	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Counterfeiting notes	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Uttering counterfeiting notes	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Falsification of document	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Giving false information to public servant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Defeating the course of justice	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Damaging property	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
Disobedience of lawful order	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Breach of DVRO	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Breach of Suspended sentence	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	6
Criminal trespass	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Criminal intimidation	2	0	2	0	7	1	2	0	0	1	1	0	16
Drunk and disorderly conduct	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

Child stealing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Escape from lawful custody	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Breach of bail conditions	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
TOTAL	62	77	87	55	50	32	82	67	48	42	39	9	650
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Source: ODPP Fiji



ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics (Total Offences, Number of Accused and Victims) 1 January -31 December 2023

	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	No. of	No. of Nolle				
	Counts	Accused	Accused U18	Accused Police	Victims	Domestic incidents	filed				
T	62	F.4			20						
January	62	51	10	6	39	5	4				
February	77	79	12	9	60	12	3				
March	87	58	10	0	44	6	6				
April	55	46	5	1	32	5	5				
May	50	37	1	0	42	10	3				
June	32	30	3	0	26	4	4				
July	82	73	7	0	52	7	6				
August	67	56	0	3	38	10	7				
September	48	42	8	0	26	5	5				
October	42	35	8	0	30	6	4				
November	39	26	0	0	24	0	2				
December	9	6	0	0	6	1	1				
Total	650	539	64	19	419	71	50				
Source: ODPP Fij											

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